

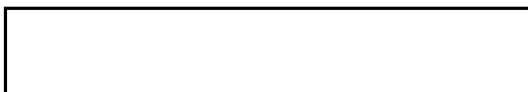


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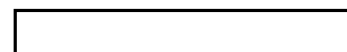
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The Committee concludes that there will be no military attack on the United States or its overseas forces in the near future. Subjects of immediate concern are discussed below.

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I. Middle East

Tension in the Middle East remains high. The Arabs and Israelis are continuing to prepare for hostilities, and the Arabs appear to be extremely concerned about an Israeli preemptive attack. At the same time, both sides appear hopeful that new political options leading to a negotiated settlement will become available. As long as the diplomatic impasse continues, there is a high risk that fighting will break out, particularly on the Golan Heights. The present disposition of military forces in Egypt, Syria, and Israel is such that the conflict could be renewed with little or no warning.

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II. USSR-Eastern Europe

We see no indications of hostile intent in the military activity of the USSR or other Warsaw Pact nations.

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III. Southeast Asia

In South Vietnam, we expect the most significant military action to continue in Military Region 1, where government forces are attempting to exploit the recent recapture of key terrain from the Communists.

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